

in half an hour from the time it is called. Mr. Sweeney will officially declare the strike off.

The switchmen who can go back to their old places, some of them, for a time, for all the railroads have more men now than they know what to do with.

It is possible that some of the Lackawanna men will get their places and that a very few of the Western New York and Pennsylvania men who went out yesterday will find vacant places. Some of the other companies have a few inexperienced or incompetent men in their new forces.

They may be discharged and the old men who have not been objectionably active may get their places.

There are a good many facts in connection with this switchmen's strike which have not been made public. Mr. Sweeney's term of office as Grand Master Switchman expires this year. He wants to succeed himself. At the last election of the organization he came very near being defeated.

Mr. Sweeney is ambitious to retain the power and the prestige that goes with the leadership of an organization of 3,000 men. He would also like to retain the \$5,000 a year salary, and travelling expenses paid. It is said to be a fact that his popularity has been decreasing among the members of the switchmen's order for some time.

It is the custom of some labor organizations for some leaders to make what is called "grand stand plays" at just about the time their term of office expires. These plays make them solid with the masses. The annual convention of the switchmen's Mutual Aid Association will be held in Buffalo.

This strike was ordered by Mr. Sweeney on Aug. 12. He has carried it to a successful conclusion. It has been a great victory, and would have given him great credit.

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Mr. Moriarty, there is reason to believe, was most certain that the switchmen would be beaten if they made a fight against the railroads.

The Master Workman of an organization like the switchmen's Mutual Aid Association is considerable to do with the beginning of the strike and the events leading up to it. The responsibility for it is on the person who orders it.

The weight of defeat falls on him. Conclusions could be drawn from these facts that might be interesting to the victims of the strike.

The man who furnished some of these facts made a further statement of interest. He said that the switchmen's Mutual Aid Association was ordered by Mr. Sweeney to enable that gentleman to further justify his expected act of declaring the strike.

"It is no use to keep up the struggle if the railroad men will not agree to help me. The strike on the Lackawanna and the Western New York and Pennsylvania shows that the railroad men are not interested in the interest of the men themselves and the public generally it is my duty to call it off."

SHOOTING ALL ALONG THE LINE.
The Soldiers Keep Busy Reversing Midnight Attacks at Many Points.

BUFFALO, Aug. 23.—Between midnight last night and daylight today the city of Buffalo was the scene of extraordinary excitement. Shooting was reported to be going on in all of the soldiers' camps about the city. On the outskirts of the city shots and volleys of shots could be plainly heard. There were reports that the strikers and their friends had made concerted attacks on the city of Buffalo.

It was about 5 o'clock when the city was attacked. The soldiers were ordered to take six men and guard a train of sixteen freight cars on the Lehigh Valley road. The train was to be taken to the other end of the freight yards.

Two non-union switchmen, John M. McGuire of Philadelphia and Charles Gabel of Titusville, went on the train to turn the switches. As the train neared Ganson street, where the Delaware and Hudson bridges cross the Lehigh Valley tracks, six men were seen walking leisurely along the track.

They looked like railroad men, and Lieut. Asten, noticing them from the top of the car where he sat, took them for strikers and resolved to keep an eye on them. The men were walking along the track, and the train was moving slowly.

Then the men broke into a sharp run, pulling stones from their pockets as they ran and throwing them at the soldiers. The soldiers were ordered to take six men and guard a train of sixteen freight cars on the Lehigh Valley road.

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"Fire!" was the next order. Bang! There was a volley of shots. The soldiers were firing at the strikers. The strikers were firing at the soldiers.

A group of men gathered at the Lake Shore crossing at William street about 1 o'clock and another group gathered at the Erie street crossing. The strikers were firing at the soldiers.

A man was carried to the emergency hospital about 1 o'clock last evening by two men who were not identified. The injured man gave his name as William Moran and his home as 100 West Erie street. He was suffering from a gunshot wound in the left leg and a scalp wound. Neither was serious.

Questioned by the physician as to how he got them, he replied that while walking along Erie street, near the Lehigh Valley crossing, he was challenged by a soldier. He stopped and talked a while with the soldier, but then he was fired at.

The soldier fired on him and struck him over the head with the butt of his rifle. The name of the soldier charged with the shooting or his name was not known. The man was taken to the emergency hospital.

A 14-year-old boy named McMahon, living on Scott street and employed by the Lehigh Valley, was taken to the emergency hospital last night and was challenged at the Erie tracks on the Lehigh road. He did not stop, and the soldier fired at him.

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